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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESENCE IN SOUTH YEMEN

REF: A. STATE 8292 B. STATE 2752 C. 77 STATE 310045
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1. POLITICAL COUNSELOR PASSED TO DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER
FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS ABD AL-RAHMAN MANSOURI INFORMATION ON
SOVIET PRESENCE IN SOUTH YEMEN ON JANUARY 16. MANSOURI
SAID THAT ALTHOUGH USG HAD MORE DETAILS THAN SAG, U.S. INFOR-
MATION ACCORDED GENERALLY WITH SAUDI INFORMATION. INFORMA-
TION ON SA-2'S WAS NEW TO SAG.

2. MANSOURI SAID THAT SAG STILL HAD NOT GIVEN UP HOPE ON
MODERATING POLICY OF PDRY. HOWEVER, PDRY WAS NOT RESPONDING
THE WAY SAG WOULD LIKE. DURING RECENT VISIT OF OMANI FONMIN
TO JIDDA, POSSIBILITY OF RAPPROACHMENT BETWEEN PDRY
AND OMAN WAS DISCUSSED, AND SAG INTENDS TO CINTINUE EFFORT
TO BRING THIS ABOUT. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ABOUT SAUDI
AID TO PDRY, MANSOURI SAID THAT SAG HAD GIVEN 50 MILLION
DOLLARS AS INITIAL GRANT AND THAT IT HAD PROMISED TO
CONSIDER PDRY REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL AID. SAG HAS NOW
SLOWED DOWN ITS STUDY OF PDRY PROJECT REQUESTS UNTIL IT
SEES SIGN OF POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM PDRY. IF, FOR EXAMPLE,

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PDRY AGREES TO MOVE TOWARD SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES WITH
OMAN, SAG WILL SPEED UP ITS CONSIDERATION OF PDRY
REQUESTS.
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